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SUBJECT: A-4 AIRCRAFT DELIVERY TO KUWAIT

REF: (A) ROME 08422; (B) KUWAIT 02809; (C) JIDDA 03631; (D) KUWAIT 02755; (E) STATE 117155

1. BECAUSE ROME 08422 CITES A FORMAL RESPONSE FROM GOI MINISTRY OF DEFENSE IS NOT EXPECTED IN TIME TO PREPARE CONFIDENTIAL

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FOR A DELIVERY AT SIGONELLA, US NAVY A-4 PROJECT OFFICE (NAVAIRSYSCOM) HAS NOTIFIED SKYWAYS, INC TO DELIVER THE SECOND FLIGHT OF A-4 AIRCRAFT TO THE KUWAITI AIR FORCE IN KUWAIT. (ROUTE WILL BE VIA LANDING CAIRO AND OVERFLIGHT OF SAUDI ARABIA).

2. FOR KUWAIT: REQUEST YOU NOTIFY APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES THAT DUE TO CONTINUED COMPLICATIONS AND USG CONCERN FOR

PROMPT DELIVERY, IT WILL BE NECESSARY THAT THE SECOND FLIGHT OF A-4 AIRCRAFT BE DELIVERED TO GOK AF IN KUWAIT. HOWEVER, POINT OUT THAT WE ARE CONTINUING TO PREPARE FOR FUTURE DELIVERIES TO GOK AT A LOCATION OUTSIDE OF KUWAIT. ALSO, REQUEST YOU DETERMINE IF SAG CAD HAS GRANTED A OVERFLIGHT REQUEST TO GOK FOR UPCOMING FLIGHT. IF SO, NOTIFY EMB JIDDA AND DEPARTMENT ASAP.

- 3. FOR CAIRO: REQUEST YOU TAKE PROMPT ACTION ON SKYWAYS, INC REQUEST FOR LANDING AND SERVICING AT CAIRO INTL AIRPORT. SKYWAYS MSG WAS SENT 20 MAY TO EMB USDAO BY PVT. TELEX.
- 4. FOR JIDDA: YOUR JIDDA 03214, WHICH SUGGESTS THAT OVERFLIGHT PERMISSION OF SAUDI ARABIA BY US REGISTERED AIRCRAFT FLOWN BY US PILOTS BE OBTAINED BY GOK, IS TECHNICALLY A DEPARTURE FROM STANDARD PRACTICE. REQUEST EMB CONFIRM THAT THIS PRACTICE IS APPLICABLE TO THIS PROPOSED FLIGHT. IF SAG CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE (CAD) CONTINUES TO INSIST THAT IT IS THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE MEANS BY WHICH OVERFLIGHT PERMISSION WILL BE GRANTED, REQUEST EMB AWAIT NOTIFICATION OF STATUS OF GOK OVERFLIGHT REQUEST. IF SAG CAD DOES NOT INSIST ON THIS PROCEDURE, REQUEST EMB TAKE PROMPT ACTION ON SKYWAYS, INC REQUEST FOR OVERFLIGHT PERMISSION, WHICH WAS TRANSMITTED BY PRIVATE TELEX TO EMB USDAO 20 MAY.
- 5. FOR ROME: REQUEST YOU CONTINUE TO DETERMINE IF ITALIANS WILL AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF A-4'S AT SIGONELLA. CONFIDENTIAL

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6. FOR JIDDA AND CAIRO: THE A-4 FLIGHT IS ATTEMPTING
TO MAKE GOOD A 30 MAY DELIVERY TO KUWAIT, WHICH WILL
NECESSITATE A DEPARTURE NOT LATER THAN 27 MAY. HOWEVER,
NAVAIRSYSCOM HAS DIRECTED THAT THE FLIGHT WILL NOT
DEPART THE US UNTIL EGYPTAIN OVERFLIGHT/LANDING (FOR
TECH STOP) AUTHORIZATION AND SAUDI OVERFLIGHT AUTHORIZATION
IS RECEIVED. TO EXPEDITE FLIGHTS DEPARTURE, REQUEST
EMBASSIES, UPON RECEIPT OF THESE AUTHORIZATIONS, NOTIFY
SKYWAYS, INC IN ADDITION TO DEPARTMENT AND OTHER INTERESTED
POSTS. THEIR ADDRESS IS AS FOLLOWS:

SKYWAYS, INC. 14011 VENTURA BLVD. SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423 TELEX: 651335. VANCE

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